

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: *Simms et al.*

Appl. No.: 10/073,260

Filed: February 13, 2002

For: **Methods and Compositions for Isolation of
Biological Macromolecules**

Confirmation No.: 6799

Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Bausch, S.

Att. Docket: IVGN 261

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed **May 19, 2008**, Applicants petition currently herewith for a two (2) month extension of time, extending the time to respond to the outstanding action to and including October 20, 2008, (since October 19, 2008 was a Sunday). Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, with necessary fees. If the fees submitted with this response are not sufficient, any fees required to avoid abandonment of the application, including fees for extensions of time or claims fees, may be taken from **Deposit Account No. 50-3994**. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees, or credit any refunds, to Deposit Account No. 50-3994, with reference to our matter IVGN 261.

Amendments to the Claims beginning on page **2** of this paper.

Remarks beginning on page **8** of this paper.